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SUBJECT: VISIT OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT MINISTER TO
WASHINGTON

1. NEPALESE WORKS AND TRANSPORT MINISTER PRAYAG RAJ
SINGH SUWAL LEFT WASHINGTON OCTOBER 1 FOR NEW YORK
AFTER APPROXIMATELY 36-HOUR PRIVATE VISIT. SUWAL PLANS
LEAVE NEW YORK OCTOBER 2 TO RETURN TO KATHMANDU OCTOBER 5.
UNDERSTAND HE PLANS STOP IN PARIS AND ROME EN ROUTE.

2. SUWAL, WHO HAD NEVER BEEN TO U.S. BEFORE, HAD
ATTENDED ICAO CONFERENCE IN MONTREAL AND APPARENTLY
DECIDED THERE ON COMING TO WASHINGTON. COUNTRY
OFFICER LORTON MET HIM ON ARRIVAL, HAD SOCIAL VISIT
WITH HIM EVENING SEPTEMBER 29, AND SAW HIM OFF ON
DEPARTURE. HIS PRINCIPAL INTEREST WAS SIGHTSEEING
WHICH THE NEPALESE EMBASSY ARRANGED. INGERSOLL

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